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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000.  
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Allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed  
Deposits can be ascertained on application.  
Every description of Banking and Ex-  
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CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1893.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, £2,000,000.

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HOLDERS, £2,000,000.

RESERVE FUND, £275,000.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account on  
the rate of 2% per annum on the  
Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5%.

" " " 6 " 4 %

" " " 3 " 8 %

A. C. MARSHALL,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 17, 1894.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$10,000,000.

Reserve Fund, \$4,500,000.

Reserve Liability of  
Proprietors, \$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—

O. J. HOLLIDAY, Esq.—Chairman.

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per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 "

" 12 " 5 "

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 21, 1894.

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THE MERCANTILE BANK OF  
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

SUBSCRIBED, £1,000,000.

PAID-UP, £2,500,000.

Bankers:—

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at  
the Rate of 2% per Annum on the Daily  
Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 3 Months, 5%.

For 6 Months, 4%.

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JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, June 18, 1893.

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HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-  
ducted by the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-  
TION. Rules may be obtained on ap-  
plication.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at

5% PER CENT. per annum. Depositors

may transfer at their option balances of

\$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on

FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per

annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai

Banking Corporation.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 15, 1895.

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## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

AT a Meeting of Shareholders in the  
STRATFORD INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED), held at SHANGHAI  
on the 8th instant, the following Resolution  
was unanimously agreed to:—

That we communicate with our friends  
in Hongkong, Japan and the ports  
expressing our willingness to co-operate  
with any bodies of shareholders in  
the Straits Marine Insurance Company  
who are desirous of the liquidation  
of the company, and that shareholders  
resident at any Ports where  
separate action is not taken be invited to  
join with us in this movement.

SHAREHOLDERS who are willing to Co-  
OPERATE with the SHANGHAI Committee  
are invited to communicate with the Under-  
signed.

E. JENNER HOGG,  
Chairman of the Shanghai Committee.

Shanghai, 11th January, 1895.

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THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILD-  
ING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth  
Ordinary General MEETING of  
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the  
Company's OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on  
MONDAY, the 4th February, 1895, at  
Noon, for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the Board of Directors, together  
with a Statement of Accounts for the twelve  
months ending 31st December, 1894.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 2nd January,  
1895, to MONDAY, the 4th February, 1895 (both  
days included), during which period no Transfer  
of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary to the Hongkong Land In-  
vestment and Agency Co., Ltd.;  
Agents for the Kowloon Land and  
Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895.

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THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MIN-  
ING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the HOLDERS  
of the SHARES in the above Company  
Numbered as follows:—

25 Shares Numbered 2,169—2,124  
" " " 9,030—9,139

25 " " 10,305—10,329

500 " " 10,330—10,829

100 " " 10,830—11,329

200 " " 12,510—12,709

600 " " 12,735—13,324

200 " " 14,178—14,377

100 " " 14,378—14,477

200 " " 14,478—14,577

50 " " 14,578—14,777

1750 " " 19,158—20,004

50 " " 21,165—21,184

250 " " 21,380—21,629

200 " " 21,830—22,029

5 " " 22,122—22,126

400 " " 24,127—24,626

100 " " 25,067—25,161

100 " " 25,742—25,841

200 " " 26,837—27,056

30 " " 27,387—27,416

100 " " 27,921—28,020

37 " " 29,231—29,267

75 " " 29,862—29,926

50 " " 39,143—39,192

are hereby required on or before the 23rd  
DAY OF JANUARY, 1895, to PAY to Me at  
my OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria,  
Hongkong, the CALLS DUE thereon, to  
gether with INTEREST on such Calls at  
the Rate of TEN PER CENT. from the  
several days appointed for Payment thereof  
and together with all EXPENSES that may  
have been incurred by the Company by  
reason of such NON-PAYMENT. And  
that in the Event of NON-PAYMENT of the  
said CALLS and INTEREST and EXPENSES on  
or before the 23RD DAY OF JANUARY, 1895,  
at the place aforesaid the said SHARES  
will be liable to BE FORFEITED.

By Order of the Board,

W. HUTTON POTTS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 1, 1895.

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CHAN A-TONG,  
COAL, COKE, AND COAL TAR  
MERCHANT.

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"A simple fact about KEATING'S  
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the world, in any country that can be  
reached by the post, and you will find  
there is absolutely no remedy that is so  
easily given as this, and yet the most delicate  
and yet the most delicate can take them  
without difficulty—I am sure, you will, J. HILL."

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## Entertainments.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

PERFORMANCES OF 'ROBINSON CRUSOE' will be given on the following Dates at THEATRE ROYAL, CITY BLDG. at 8 p.m. precisely:-

WEDNESDAY, 30th January.  
SATURDAY, 2nd February.  
SATURDAY, 6th do.  
SATURDAY, 9th do.  
TUESDAY, 12th do.  
SATURDAY, 16th do.  
MONDAY, 18th do.  
SATURDAY, 23rd do.

Seats can be booked at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; CO., on and after Thursday, the 24th January, at 10 a.m.

Hongkong, January 12, 1895. 87

## Intimations.

INDIAN CONDIMENTS.

THE BEST QUALITY!! THE BEST QUALITY!!

CHUTNIES. Per dozen, Rs. As.

Sliced, Sweet Sliced, Lucknow, Col. Skinner's, Calcutta Club, Armenian, Major Grey's, United Service Club, Mixed, Mala, Cashew, Pindar, Bengal Club, Col. Goad's, Cabool, Our Taste, in quart bottles ... 12 8 JELLES.

Guava, Sarro, Mango, Corunda, in bottles ... 12 8 JAMS.

Pineapple, Tippac, Mulberry, in bottles ... 12 8 PRESERVES.

Spiced Mango, Pineapple, Emblic Myrobalan, Tamarind, Citron, Mango, Koovra, Bael, Pulbul, Limes, Orange, in bottles ... 12 8 MARMALADES.

Citron, Mango, Bael, Orange, in bottles ... 12 8 CHEESE.

Guava, Bael, 1lb. per dozen 10/- 2lb. tin ... 16 0 SYRUPS.

Lemon, Orange, Tamarind, Blackberry, Bael, Pineapple, Rose, Almond, Pomegranate, in quart bottles ... 12 8 PICKLES.

Onion, Cabbage, Bombay Mango, Lime, Bamboo, Red Cabbage, Sweet Mango, Mango, Mixed, Cauliflower, Sweet Cauliflower, bottles ... 12 8 SAUCES.

Tapp, Tawisto, Mango, Tomato, Volcanic, in pint bottles ... 10 0 CURRY POWDER &amp; PASTE.

Curry, Malabar, Madras, Mulligatawny, in quart bottles ... 12 8 LIME JUICE &amp;c.

Pure Non-alcoholic Lime Juice, in bottles ... 9 8 Ground, Cayenne Pepper, White Pepper, Black Pepper, 1lb. bottles 12 8 Nepal Pepper, Ground, 1lb. bottles ... 11 0 INDIAN CURRIES.

In 1lb. Hermetically sealed tins—Beef, Mutton, Pork, Fowl, Fish, Crab, &amp;c., per tin 10s. 10a.s. 7 0 TAMARIND FISH.

Tamarind, Hilsa, Fish, Tamarind Fish Roe, real delicacies, 3lb. jars 22 0 Smoked Mango Fish with Roe, 50 in a tin, 3lb. 8as., 100 in a tin ... 6 0 The above Stores supplied at dozen rates even if 1 dozen of each kind is ordered at a time. Liberal discount to Clubs, Messes and the trade. Cash for 1 dozen 8 Anna extra, for 2 dozen 12 extra.

CORNER BEEF. Bs. As. Corned Beef in 20lb., 30lb., and 50lb. barrels—barrels free per lb. ... 0 8 Corned Mutton in 20lb., 30lb. and 50lb. barrels—barrels free per lb. ... 0 10 Corned Ox-tongues, 12lb. in a barrel, per barrel ... 9 0 Smoked Ox-tongues, 1lb. in a tin, per barrel ... 5 0 SPICED &amp; HUNTER'S BEEF. Spiced &amp; Hunter's Beef—Rounds and Humps, weighing 4 to 14 lbs., packed in tin and lard—6 tins in a case, per lb. ... 0 14 DAIRY BUTTER. Best Quality Dairy Butter (slightly salted) in 20lb. barrels—per barrel 16 0 TERMS CASH WITH ORDER. Sole Export Agent for three of the Best Indian Manufacturers.

N.B.—Good Show Rooms for displaying Samples of CHINESE CURIOS, CANE GOODS, SILKS, &amp;c., &amp;c. Consignments received.

JAMES LINTON, 2, Strand Lane, CALCUTTA.

SAILOR'S HOME.

A NY Cast of CLOTHING, Books, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Address: Care of SUPERINTENDENT.

## Notices to Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID,

SUEZ, JEDDAH,

SUAKIM, MASSAWAH, HODEDDA,

ADEN, BOMBAY,

COLOMBO, PENANG &amp; SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. Maria Valerie having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:-

From COLOMBO, ex S. P. Police, transhipped at COLOMBO. From TRIESTE, ex s.s. Imperator transhipped at BOMBAY.

Optional Cargo will go on to SINGAPORE unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 20th INSTANT, OR THEY WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 20th INSTANT will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1895. 97

## Notices to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. Brato, Capt. J. OSTERMANN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF &amp; GODOWN CO., LTD., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd INST. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd INST., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SLEMSSEN &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1895. 113

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP VICTORIA, FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1895. 95

STEAMSHIP MELBOURNE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

THE Company's S.S. Oolong, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF &amp; GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 5 p.m. To-DAY (Friday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after FRIDAY, the 18th January, 1895, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before FRIDAY, the 18th January, 1895, or they will not be recognized.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on FRIDAY, the 18th Jan., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 11, 1895. 86

## To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!

THE MOST PHENOMENAL SUCCESS EVER KNOWN. UNSTOPPED PRAISE FROM ALL.

HICKS' ORIOLE SPECIALITY COMPANY.

OUR NEW PROGRAMME.

LIVING PICTURES.

NEW SERIES, NO. 2.

DIANA, Sichel.

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HEBE, A. Cott.

NYMPH OF THE LAKE, Popperitz.

POLAR STAR, Mertz.

THREE FATES, Baumeran.

FAREWELL NIGHTS.

BOX OFFICE at KELLY &amp; WALSH, LTD.

CHAS. B. HICKS, Manager.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895. 119

D'ARCO'S BIJOU THEATRE (NEW RECLAMATION).

LAST FEW NIGHTS OF THE WORLD FAMOUS D'ARCO'S FANTOCHES FRANCAISES, (MARIONETTES).

REDUCED PRICES.

1st &amp; 2nd Row Boxes (per seat). \$2.00

3rd " " 1.50

Stalls " " 1.00

Pit " 0.50

Gallery for Chinese only 0.25

Children half-price except to Gallery.

Play at KELLY &amp; WALSH'S.

REMEMBER.

The last few opportunities of witnessing the Most Marvelous and Beautiful Show that has ever visited Hongkong.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895. 123

THE CHINA &amp; MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co's Steamship Zafiro.

Captain GERARD, will be

despatched for the above

Port on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at 5 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN &amp; CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895. 118

## To-day's Advertisements.

OLEARED.

KUTANG, for New York.  
Triumphant, for Holloway.  
Taikong, for Swatow.  
Fujit, for Hoihow.  
Kong Heng, for Swatow.  
Etsao, for Yokohama.  
Straits of Menta, for Moji.  
Hongkong, for Haiphong.  
Jacob Diederichsen, for Saigon.

All Interested in Education are cordially invited.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, 16th January, 1895. 123

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 62.

THE STATIONS of the Kowloon Customs will be CLOSED in observance of the CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL, from FRIDAY, the 25th current, to TUESDAY, the 29th, both days inclusive.

H. ELGAR HOBSON, Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE, Kowloon, 16th January, 1895. 126

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-Seventh Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Director and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st Instant to February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895. 117

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

THE Company's S.S. Oolong, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF &amp; GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 5 p.m. To-DAY (Friday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

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5 p.m. To-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 11, 1895. 86

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 16, 1895. 124

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co's Steamship Fokien.

## DIOCESAN HOME AND ORPHANAGE

FIFTH DISTRIBUTION.

The annual distribution of prizes took place at the Diocesan Home and Orphanage this afternoon. There was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen. The chair was occupied by His Honour Mr. E. J. Ackroyd, Acting Chief Justice; among those present were Bishop Burdon, Rev. G. Reusch, Rev. T. Pearce, Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Dr. Bateson Wright, Principal, Queen's College, Rev. Mr. Bennett, Mr. G. Sharp, &c.

The Headmaster read the following report for 1894:—

The past year has been a time of exceptional anxiety and trouble. In spring a boarder from a Coast Port was removed to the Government Hospital with smallpox, and despite the utmost care of Dr. Lowson and the nurses succumbed. There has been no other death amongst the scholars since November 1892. In common with the rest of the Colony our work was seriously interfered with by the plague, but it was not stopped; school was taught on 251 days, that is, 12 days more than in the previous year. At the suggestion of our medical adviser, day scholars from infected neighbourhoods were given the option of becoming boarders free of charge, or staying away altogether; quite a number took the former course, and our daily average never fell below 44, or half our usual attendance. We are thankful to say no pupil here suffered from the disease, and in autumn all returned and our numbers were considerably higher than in the corresponding months of 1893. We have however, to sorrow for the loss of two former pupils, who were employed in business offices, one of whom died in the Institution.

8 boys entered the Oxford Local Examinations in July, 1 Senior and 7 Juniors; 6 of the latter passed. The 7 candidates who took the book-keeping paper, all passed in that subject.

80 boys were examined by the Government Inspector of Schools in December: 78 passed, or 97.5 per cent. (last year 93.2%) In writing, geography, English history, English composition, and elementary science 100 per cent. passed; reading 97; grammars 95; dictation and euclid, 91; physical geography 87; algebra 70; arithmetic 65; navigation (a new subject) 37.5. There has been a falling off in arithmetic, but the questions were more difficult than usual. The grant is 23 per cent. more than last year and is the highest the school has ever earned. This is in part due to the new code providing an additional VII standard, but chiefly to the interest both boys and masters have taken in their work and their determination to maintain the good name of the school.

The boys have been regularly drilled by an instructor from the garrison: during the summer they had frequent trips by steam launch for seafishing and swimming. Football and cricket are played on the piece of land assigned by the Government as a playground for the West Point schools. It is very small, and open to each school only one afternoon and one evening a week.

Our best thanks are again due to Hon. R. Bellios, C. M. G., Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Messrs. E. F. Alford, D. Gillies, Ho Tung, J. D. Humphreys, T. Jackson, A. Macleod, W. Quinney, G. Sharp, for kindly contributing the prizes.

Scripture Examination—January 1895. I have again examined the boys of this school in their Scripture Lessons and am satisfied with the result. In the VII and VI Forms the set portions of St. Matthew's Gospel, and the Acts were well done. Forms V, with a few exceptions, wrote their answers to questions on the Gospel intelligently. Forms IV and III took the stories of Joshua, the Judges and Ruth and showed that an interest had been aroused through a few papers were weak. Form II and two boys in I knew well. There is evidence of careful teaching. The great difficulties (to many boys) of a foreign language are being gradually overcome, but there is much yet to be done. The Report in the lower school was on the whole good. (Sd.) R. F. COBOLD.

After the prizes had been distributed, Mr. Ackroyd said—Your Lordship, ladies and gentlemen, in the absence of His Excellency the Governor, whose absence I am sure you will hear with much regret, I have had great pleasure in coming here and presiding at this annual meeting. A prize distribution is generally looked forward to with some anxiety, interest and curiosity by the teachers, masters and pupils. To the teachers and masters it is a relief when they have, so to speak, to present to the friends and supporters of the Institution their work for it to be criticised; to the boys it is interesting because they come, some of them to receive the reward of their labours, others to learn only the news of their defeat. In the presence of the report which has just been read to you, I think Mr. and Mrs. Piercy and the masters have very little, if anything, to fear from any adverse or hostile criticism, for the results of the Oxford Local Examination in which six boys have passed out of eight, and the result of the examination by the Government Examiner, which has been that the grant this year is 23 per cent. more than last year, and the highest this School has ever earned. These facts, I think, testify sufficiently to the zeal, the ability, and the interest which all concerned in teaching have taken and displayed towards the pupils committed to their charge. The friends of this Institution will, I am sure, acknowledge with deep thankfulness God's care and protection over this Institution in the fact that although the plague was close around it, only one of the inmates was attacked. It must have been a time of great care and deep anxiety, to Mr. and Mrs. Piercy, and I am sure we should all rejoice with them that otherwise the health of this Institution has been so satisfactory. I am glad to note in the report that the scholars are drilled. I saw some very good remarks on that subject in a paper the other day. It said that drilling taught the boys to hold up their heads and walk straight. I hope all of you, boys, will be able to hold up your heads and walk straight before the world. I have not seen this year's report of the finances, but I think last year's report is satisfactory and it shows that this Institution is fully deserving of the support which it meets.

because it is almost self-supporting. I have no intention to-day of delivering any essay or address on the advantages or necessities of education, or to press on anyone the duty of keeping up this Institution; but there one remark I wish to make. It is made in the presence of some facts which have been noted in Europe lately. I am glad to see that instruction is given in this School in Holy Scripture, and that Mr. Cobbold is able to report so satisfactorily on the results of his examination and to be able to state that there has been careful teaching in this school (applause). I am quite sure that the all-importance of moral teaching and training have never been absent from the minds of Mr. and Mrs. Piercy. There has lately been in England, or rather in London, a burning question arising out of the recent elections to the School Board, and one of the leading journals in commenting on the defeat of candidates whose election would have led to the exclusion of the teaching of the Bible from the teaching of the Schools said as follows:—

We do not think the Bible can be spared from the education of the English people. In the English version it is the greatest work in our literature. It has been the basis, if not of conduct, if not of principles; it has shaped the ideal, if it has not imperceptibly activated the life of modern Europe. It speaks with an authority indefinite and unanalyzed, but still unique in its impressiveness, to the minds and hearts of men. In England, as Sir John Lubbock lately pointed out, there has been a great decrease of crime during the quarter of a century which has passed since the Act of 1860 came into operation. There are 5,000,000 children in school now as against 1,500,000, that is, there are 5,000 persons in prison now as against 12,000, then; while the number of juvenile offenders has fallen from 14,000 to 5,000. From these figures Sir John infers, with Victor Hugo, that he who opens a school closes a prison. It depends upon what sort of school. In France, as statistics show, as schools have been opened for the Chief Justice, Bishop Burdon, the ladies and the boys, with three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Piercy and the masters of the school, the proceedings were brought to a close.

The following is the prize list:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY LOCAL EXAMINATION. Junior.—T. Bunting, W. Burns, S. Elphinstone, J. Gubbins, A. J. Mackie, H. R. O. Moore.

## CLASS PRIZES.

VII Standard, S. Elphinstone, Home without Hands; VI Standard, E. S. Ford, Robin Hood; V Standard, U. I-chu, Dusty Diamonds; IV Standard, Li Cheung-kan, The Mighty Deep; III Standard, J. Olsen, Sikk War; II Standard, Fan Kau, Stamp Album; I Standard, Ying Mok-fat, Fairy Tales.

## SPECIAL PRIZES.

VII Standard, Scripture and Physical Geography, W. Burns, Young England; Mathematics, S. Elphinstone, Aerial World; VI Standard, Scripture and Mathematics, E. S. Ford, Boys' V Standard, Scripture, S. M. Gidley, Prince of the House of David; Mathematics, U. Hayashi, Napoleon Bonaparte; IV Standard, Scripture, E. A. Shefield, Uncle Tom's Cabin; Algebra, E. R. Heron, Dusty Diamonds; Euclid, Tang Ming-him, Sea Kings; III Standard, Scripture, C. E. Hastings, Great Warriors; II Standard, Scripture, Hane Moore, The Big Otter; Band, Viles, G. Bonning, Conquerors of Mexico; Drums, A. O. Dierck, Hunters of the Ozark; Good Conduct, R. H. Kewell, Scottish Pictures.

## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

The following is the sixth report of the Board of Directors to the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Company's offices, Victoria Buildings, on Tuesday, 22nd inst.:

Gentlemen.—The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Company, and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1894. The Net Profits for that period, including \$27,855.63 balance brought forward from last Account after paying all charges, amount \$234,647.02. From this Amount an Interim Dividend of \$2.00 per share has already been paid, and it is now proposed to pay a Final Dividend of \$2.00 per share, upon the amount on the Paid-up Capital, and after writing off Directors' and Auditors' Fees, there remains a balance of \$33,447.02 to be carried forward to the credit of a New Profit and Loss Account.

Keeping was reported captured by the Japanese on the 18th December, therefore it must have been taken again by the Chinese, and recaptured by the Japanese on the 10th instant.—Ed. S.M.]

Prince Henry of Orleans has written from Saigon to the Secretary of the Society of Commercial Geography in Paris, hinting that the Siamese are not abiding up to the Treaty of October, 1893, in the Battambang district. He speaks of guns and powder hidden in contravention of its terms.

The Peking correspondent of the Mercury writes:—A question of tremendous importance has been agitating the Diplomatic Circle. The Emperor, it seems, has been graciously pleased to confer honour on the Foreign Ministers received in audience. These honours, conferred for nothing, seem to be adequately covered by foreign officials. There are three grades dealt in by His Imperial Majesty. The first is reserved for officials of special rank, the second for Ministers Plenipotentiary, the third for Ministers Resident. Some years ago M. Constant, in virtue of his Cabinet rank in his own country, was awarded the first grade, and Count Cassini also managed to make out a case for the like distinction, on the ground of his position in the Imperial Russian Court. Now the orders of second and third class have been distributed according to the rule, two of the Foreign Ministers have considered themselves affronted, because they are not put on the same pedestal with M. Constant and Count Cassini, and they refuse their orders. If you were to guess the identity of these two protestant Ministers you would scarcely recognize them by their brilliant performances, but their opinion of their own merits is really considerable.

In CHICAGO.—Mrs. Ozone—Can't you get a move on that horse, driver! I'm afraid I'll be late for the wedding." Driver—"Never mind, mum! Even if we miss the wedding we will be sure to get there in time for the divorce!"

"How do we hear?" asked a scientist. This is easily told. Something tells a friend and tells him not to tell and the friend of the teller tells a friend of ours, and he tells us, and so we hear."

ATLANTA.—What is it you are embroiled on the tidy for grandma? Little Nellie says, "The good die young."

## THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

The following is the sixth report of the General Agents to the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on Tuesday, 22nd instant:—

General.—The General Agents now submit to you a statement of the affairs of the Company, and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1894. The Net Profits for the year, after writing off Directors' and Auditors' Fees and all other charges including the Debit Balance brought forward from last year, amount to \$9,612.67, from which it is proposed to pay a Dividend of 50 cents per share and to carry forward the Balance of \$2,812.07 to Credit of New Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.—The Hon. J. J. Kewick and Mr. J. S. Moses retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

Audit.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. Fullerton Henderson, who now retires and offers himself for re-election.

A. SHELTON HOOVER,

Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents,

The West Point Building Co., Limited.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

LONDON, January 16, 1895.

## THE RESIGNATION OF THE FRENCH CABINET.

M. Camille Poncet, President of the French Republic, has held an all-day conference with the various party leaders.

A semi-official note, published in the evening, announced that the President had resigned owing to the failure of the Republican parties to protect him in the attack made against the existing régime.

The Times correspondent in Paris says that the temper which animates the Radicals and Socialists is almost revolutionary in intensity.

## THE ANTI-GAMBLING LEAGUE.

The Newmarket bench has granted a summons to the Anti-Gambling League against the Stewards of the Jockey Club.

## THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

[Special to the 'Shanghai Mercury']

CHINESE FORCES BETWEEN THE TWO JAPANESE ARMIES.

Yokohama, 12th January, 9 a.m. An official telegram has been received from Kaiping, dated the 10th instant, stating that on that day at dawn a brigade of the Japanese Second Army, under General Nogi, attacked a Chinese force near Kaiping. The Japanese defeated the Chinese and completely routed them. A Japanese detachment occupied Kaiping after four hours' fighting. The Chinese force consisted of over three thousand men, two Gatling guns and twelve field pieces. The Chinese fled towards Etsin-tai, the Japanese vigorously pursuing them. Any Chinese force that may be left in the vicinity of Newchow may be now between the two Japanese armies.

Yokohama, 12th Jan., 11.30 a.m. Another official telegram has arrived from Kaiping, dated the 10th instant at midnight, in which General Nogi reports that the Chinese, had, extended their defences near the river where the Japanese attacked their two wings and then their centre. The Chinese were routed, and the Japanese took possession of Kaiping about ten o'clock in the forenoon. There were over two hundred Chinese killed, but the number of wounded is at present unknown. The Japanese captured 150 prisoners, who state that the Chinese force, including artillery, amounted to quite 4,000, under General S. The Japanese scouts report that a force of about 10,000 Chinese, moving under water, were nearly paralytic with the cold. They managed to fix a sheet of iron over the damaged part, and otherwise repair the holes in such a satisfactory manner that the Chinese are now in thorough order and does not leak at all. Before they left one of the heavy guns was fired on board the Chiyen to see if the vibration would have any effect, but the repair stood the test thoroughly, and the Chiyen is now in trim to take an active part in fighting with the other Chinese vessels when required. The work reflects great credit on the divers and the Chinese authorities are greatly pleased with them.

Now we find that amid a hundred discrepancies there is one fact in recent Chinese history significantly like the fact of the Zollverein of 1822 in the annals of Germany. China has taken on deep breath of the ozone of civilisation in the formation of that Customs Union with which we are all well acquainted. Remote provinces, inaccessible parts, motley and mixed populations, are yoked together in one revenue system, which has already entailed a considerable extent that parochial spirit, that disintegrating tendency which has been the periodic curse of China in the decline of each dynasty. One division, at length, of the public service of the country has learned to look for its subsistence entirely to the bounty of the central government, and not to depend upon the greater or lesser opportunities of local extortion.

Throughout the thirty years of its existence this 'Zollverein' has had to struggle for supremacy with the forces of disunion, with corrupt and oppressive octroi organisations which at once recognised and resisted it as an insidious and deadly foe. It is the history of grinding greed, local-like voracity and ambition made fighting the agents of national unity and prosperity. Whenever the country has been divided through a crisis, the hand of the Government have turned to the Customs Union for their trump card and hitherto they have always found it. Now in the worst emergency ever faced by the present dynasty, the credit and capabilities of the new department are taxed to their utmost, and amid the wretched reputations and resources, the Chinese 'Zollverein' of 1859 is the chief moral and financial reliance of the empire.

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In the kernel lies the undeveloped ear of wheat, and from the only healthy limb of a government its reform must be extended. The wise and patriotic of the nation should now be aware that the trust reposed in the Customs Union has not been betrayed in the time of trial, and therefore that its extension is the safest means of re-organising the empire. Only when a new generation shall have grown up in the shadow of such institutions as might be healthily and naturally developed from the existing administration, can the Chinese Government dispense with foreign employers.

Will those whose mature years while giving them pre-eminence in the councils of the nation pre-serve them from assimilating, even if they appreciate, new ideas, able to exercise the necessary patience and forbearance and the self-sacrifice essential to the future welfare of their country? On this most difficult form of patriotism the independence and integrity of the Middle Kingdom must depend. Hail! Omen!—

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## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Nagasaki), Kobe, Inland Sea, Saturday, Jan. 26, Yokohama, and Honolulu, at daylight. Belpis (via Nagasaki), Kobe, Inland Sea, Wednesday, Feb. 27, and Yokohama, at daylight. Coptic (via Nagasaki), Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama, at daylight. W'nesday, Mar. 20, at daylight.

THE Steamship GAELEC will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 26th January, at Daylight, connecting made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to weight in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

C. L. GORHAM,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1895.

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## U. S. Mail Line.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama), W'nesday, Feb. 6, at daylight.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama), W'nesday, Feb. 20, at daylight.

Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama), Saturday, Mar. 9, at daylight.

Honolulu, at daylight.

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

## NOTICE.

## STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,

## PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND

## BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,

## MARSEILLES, LONDON,

## HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;

## ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.—JANUARY 16, 1895.

## Stocks.

## No. of Shares

## Value

## Last up.

## Closing Quotations,

## Cash.

## BANKS.

## Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Co., Ltd.

## New Issue.

## Bank of China, Japan and Straits, Ltd.

## National Bank of China, Limited.

## MARINE INSURANCES.

## Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.

## Ohm, Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

## North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.

## Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.

## Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd.

## Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.

## FIRE INSURANCES.

## China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

## Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

## ROCKS.

## Hongkong &amp; Whampoa Docks Co., Ltd.

## STEAMERS.

## China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.

## Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.

## H. C. &amp; M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.

## Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited.

## China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.

## DO. (new issue).

## REFINERIES.

## China Sugar Company, Limited.

## Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.

## C. WHARF.

## H. K. &amp; W. Wharf &amp; Godown Co.

## Wanchai Warehouses and Storage Company, Limited.

## LAND AND BUILDING.

## Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.

## Kowloon Land and Building Company.

## Humphreys' Estate &amp; Finance Co.

## West Point Building Co., Limited.

## TEAMWAYS.

## H. K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.

## MINING.

## Jelobs Mining &amp; Trading Co., Ltd.

## Punjon Mining Co., Ltd.

## Société Financière des Uncharbonnages du Tonkin.

## New Balmoral Gold M'ing Co., Ltd.

## Kantil Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.

## Société Financière des Houillères de Touloum.

## PLANTING, ETC.

## China-Borneo Company, Ltd.

## H. G. Brown &amp; Co., Limited.

## HOTELS, ETC.

## H. K. &amp; China Gas Co., Limited.

## Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.

## BISCUIT AND CEMENT.

## Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

## Hongkong Brick &amp; Cement Co., Ltd.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## Campbell, Moore &amp; Co., Limited.

## Geo. Fenwick &amp; Co., Limited.

## Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.

## Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

## Hongkong Ice Company, Limited.

## Hongkong Rope Manufactury Co., Ltd.

## MELOCHE'S &amp; CO.

## Agents.

## Hongkong, January 14, 1895.

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## STEAM FOR

STRAS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship PEKIN, Captain G. L.

Langbourne, carrying Her Majesty's

Mail, will be despatched from this for

BOMBAY, TO-MORROW, the 17th

January, 1895, at Noon, taking Passengers

and Cargo for the above Ports. (This

Steamer connects at Bombay with the

SHANNON, which Vessel takes on her

Cargo for LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL,

leaving that port on the 6th FEBRUARY,

1895.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,

and Tea for London (under arrangement)

will be transshipped at Colombo into a

Steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and

London; other Cargo for London, &c., will

be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office

until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The

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Shippers are particularly requested to

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For further Particulars, apply to

H. H. JOSEPH,

Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, January 16, 1895.

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

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SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

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## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Victoria..... 1 Tuesday January 22.

Taizhou..... Tuesday February 26.

Sikhs..... 1 Tuesday March 19.

Victoria..... 1 Tuesday April 9.

THE Steamship VICTORIA, Captain J.

P. PARSONS, R. N. R., sailing at 1 p.m. on

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